

telegraph business, generally and locally, since the strike began. Superintendents Maxwell and Ribble frankly admit that it is far below normal, and this, of course, accounts for their ability to transmit it promptly with a limited operating force. However, it showed some increase yesterday over the day before. The long distance telephone lines are being used more freely, but there is no rush of business there to impair or delay the service. Having its doubts about the telegraph situation, the public depended more largely upon the mails, the increase in the special delivery business being far above the daily average.

The refusal of President Roosevelt to interfere, the apparent failure to bring about arbitration, and the fact that the wires are open, gave greater hope to the public yesterday that the end of the strike is approaching.

STRIKE IS OVER, SAYS CLOWRY

Postal Officials Also Say It, but Strikers Claim It's Just Begun.

NEW YORK, August 15.—There were no developments of moment in the telegraphers' strike in this city and at nearby points to-day. All sides to the controversy continued optimistic in their public expressions.

"The strike is over," declared President Clowry of the Western Union. "It has but just begun," commented Deputy National President Percy, of the Commercial Telegraphers' Union. Vice-President Nally, of the Postal Telegraph Company, who has before said that the strike was ended so far as the Postal was concerned, declared to-day that his company was doing business practically as before the strike, and anticipated no further trouble. Press matter was moved with less inconvenience to-day, and this feature of the strike has lost much of its importance.

The Wall Street brokers and their operators were eliminated from the contest when to-night the local telegraphers' union and, for the second time, tabled a resolution calling upon the operators of the financial district to go out. The strikers continued their picketing during the day and to-night, but in an inoffensive manner.

GENERAL STRIKE IS NOT ORDERED

President Small Holds Conference With Gompers, but Takes No Action.

CHICAGO, August 15.—An order for a general strike of all union telegraphers, which President Small of the "Telegraphers' Union" promised would be sent out ten minutes after his arrival in Chicago, did not make its appearance to-night. Mr. Small arrived in Chicago early in the evening, an hour later was in conference with Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, George W. Perkins, president of the Cigar-makers' Union, and Wesley Russell, National secretary of the Telegraphers' Union. Labor Commissioner Neill will leave for Washington tomorrow afternoon. He is taking no part in to-night's conference, and said that he would make no effort to do so until a request for such action had been made.

During the day both telegraph companies made a material increase to their board of trade force, and the accession was greeted with lusty cheers by the traders.

NOT MUCH TROUBLE.

Railroad Handling All Business Offered This, Fortunately, Is Light.

RALEIGH, N. C., August 15.—The strike situation in the local telegraph offices is practically unchanged. Manager Bannister, of the Western Union, is personally handling what business is offered for which wires can be obtained. His office is in communication with Richmond and a number of the local offices in this State, which are not yet closed on account of the strike. As it is a very dull season, with all the State offices out of the city, the strike comes at a very opportune time for the company, as business is especially light. In the Raleigh office of the Western Union, the operators have gone back to their duties in getting business through to many points, because of the tie-up in other offices. They have direct communication with Charlotte, Greensboro, Richmond and Wilmington.

ORDERS ARE TO SEND MESSAGES WHEN THEY ARE OFFERED.

LYNCHBURG, VA., August 15.—It was learned from the station here that the striking telegraph operators that members of the Order of Railway Telegraphers, working for the railroads in this section, have instructions from the head of the order to suspend the transmission of commercial messages on railway wires, but to send them when offered.

Only Manager Is Left.

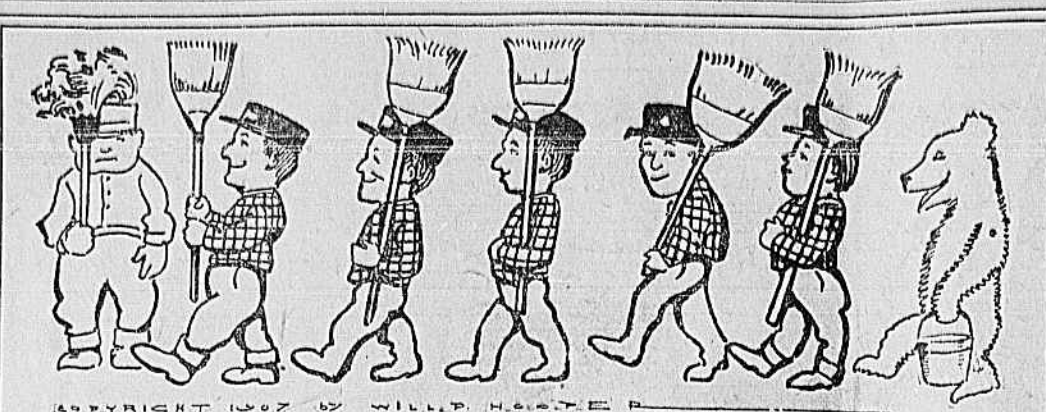
ASHEVILLE, N. C., August 15.—The three remaining operators in the local office of the Western Union, taken out this morning, leaving only the manager, George R. Calvert, in charge.

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Fresh Soda or Ginger Snaps, per pound, 4-12c
Half-pound can Veal Loaf, 5c

1-lb. can Corned Beef, 10c
Potted Ham or Tongue, 4c
2-lb. cans Beef, 20c
3 cans Chipped Beef, 25c
1-lb. can Ham Loaf, 15c
Best American Granulated Sugar, per pound, 5c
New Clipped Herring, per dozen, 10c
Fresh Roasted Lard, 15c
7 large bars Swift's Pride Soap for, 25c
Best White, 15c
Blackberry, per gallon, 50c
Sugar Corn, 4 cans for, 25c
2 lbs. Mountain Roll Butter, 25c
5-string Broom, 25c
3-string Broom, 15c
Large, juicy Lemons, per doz. 15c
Good, 10c
Tomatoes in cans for soup, 5c
Whole Grain Corn Meal, 5c
Macaroni or Spaghetti, per pound, 7c
Witch Hazel Toilet Soap, 3 to box, 10c
Large Extract Vanilla, 10c
Lemon, 5c

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GOVERNMENT AND TELEGRAPH LINES

Inconvenience Due to Strike Gives Impetus to Government Ownership.

ENGLISH OWN THEIR LINES

Legislation Looking to Taking Over Telegraph May Soon Be Attempted.

BY WALTER EDWARD HARRIS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., August 15.—The politicians, always ready to try to calculate the political effects of any and everything which develops in the course of the business of the country, are speculating as to the effect of the present strike of telegraph operators. Strikes which were inaugurated during the last term of Grover Cleveland had a very decided effect in the campaign which resulted in a whipping, however, and then took French leave, not having since been heard from.

Mr. Haley is a widower, and he says he has had trouble with the missing boy for several years. He now knows not what to do with him, and says that it will be necessary to send him to the reformatory should he ever be found. The boy has two uncles living in the city, and it may be that he has gone to one of them, though the father has not much hope of this.

The boy is described as being of a light complexion and eyes, wearing a black coat, has a bluff face, and is barefooted. He sometimes sells newspapers in the afternoon.

It is predicted that the present telegraph strike will have the effect of encouraging those people who believe the government should own all public utilities, as well as the purely socialist class, which contends for government ownership of public utilities, nor has the question of public ownership of telegraph lines been extensively discussed.

It is regarded as highly probable that legislation will be attempted this winter looking to the taking over of the telegraph lines, and it is likely that such legislation will be enacted. It is thought present conditions, especially if they should obtain for a considerable period, with their attendant inconveniences, will greatly increase government ownership. Even the cause of government railroad ownership may be advanced by reason of the strike of the telegraphers, and the holding up of lines, and isolation or partial isolation of communities all over the country.

The brother of Ambassador Bryce, in an interview in this city this week, discussed government ownership of telegraph lines as exercised in Great Britain. Messages are sent anywhere in the United Kingdom for half a penny a word. The government of Great Britain is about to take over the telegraph lines, which are now held by private corporations. Mr. Bryce spoke most approvingly of the ownership of telegraph lines by the government.

But the mere fact that the public is being denied the convenience of telegraphic communication with the telegraph companies and their employees are scrambling over a matter of wages, will, it is believed, have a more moving effect upon the question of government ownership than the experience of any other government which has undertaken to own and operate telegraph lines.

GEORGE RETURNS HOME.

Falls in His Suit, and Wife Will Seek Divorce.

John George, the Armenian who went to Huntington, Va., in search of his wife, who he claimed had been sold by her mother to a man named George, has returned to his home in Richmond, minus his wife and any pecuniary damage he might have received through the courts of law. George twice entered suits against Kouri, and the latter was twice fined in the Police Court, though without any money being paid. George, who was suing for damages, alleging that Kouri had alienated his wife's affections.

George was not able to give bond in his damage suit, not being a resident of Washington, Va. He was held in custody, and was taken to the county jail, where he could be on a basis to prosecute a suit for damages. In the meanwhile Kouri departed, and there was nothing left to do for George but to return home.

His former wife, who had been living with Kouri, had instituted a suit for divorce against George, alleging no support, and George will not, it is stated, contest the suit.

Telegraphers Will Love. The commercial telegraphers have not given the American people a square deal. They have been reluctant to their leaders and played hard-kari with their own interests. They have acted not like sane men, with griev-

BOY DISAPPEARS FROM KIND HOME

William Haley Asks That Police Look for His Son.

LOCAL TRADERS MORE HOPEFUL

But Their Hopes Stand on a Rather Slim Foundation.

THE STOCK MARKET WAS all day yesterday in a state of excitement and expectancy. The Richmond men who watch the ticker watched it yesterday morning with interest, and as the day wore on, and the time steadily hardened, so that at the close the day showed a net gain on the day before. There was a kind of feeling that the time had come for a change. Whether that change would be for the better or worse was the question, and hence the decided interest in the ticking of the ticker.

The New York market was something of a puzzle. At the opening there were enormous liquidations. Under it prices went down from 2 to 5 points, and at 11 o'clock there was a state of demoralization and collapse, new low records being made all along the line. Excellent support, however, was forthcoming at the lower level, and further large orders were reported being sent to the market. The market rallied sharply, but during the first two hours remained extremely feverish and irregular. During the entire day, in fact, bear raids were made at prices, and fitful bursts of liquidation showed up, but this liquidation diminished steadily in volume as the day wore on and the time steadily hardened, so that at the close the day showed a net gain on the day before. There was a kind of feeling that the time had come for a change. Whether that change would be for the better or worse was the question, and hence the decided interest in the ticking of the ticker.

The market closed with a hopeful tone without very much to base the good hopes on.

STRAIGHTEN OUT AFFAIRS OF ANDERSON PHOSPHATE CO.

COLUMBIA, S. C., August 15.—A special from Anderson, S. C., to the State says Fred G. Browne, who has been president of the Anderson Phosphate and Oil Company, and who was stricken with paralysis about three months ago, has resigned as president. At a meeting of the board of directors held yesterday, Mr. Browne's resignation was accepted. A meeting of the stockholders has been called for Saturday, August 24th, when steps will be taken to straighten out the affairs of the company, and, if necessary, to liquidate and wind up the company. The company is capitalized at \$500,000, and controls about ten or fifteen oil mills in this section of the State.

MR. CLEVELAND NOT III.

PRINCETON, N. J., August 15.—Rumors that former President Cleveland was ill at his home at this place are untrue, according to his physician. Mr. Cleveland went driving this afternoon and apparently was as well as usual.

THE WEATHER

Forecast: Virginia and North Carolina: Fine, with showers in western portions, warmer Friday; Saturday showers; light to fresh southeast winds.

CONDITIONS YESTERDAY.

Richmond's weather was clear and cool. Range of the thermometer: 9 A. M., 69; 6 P. M., 78; 12 M., 77; 9 P. M., 83; 3 P. M., 80; 12 M., 79; Average, 76-2-3.

Highest temperature yesterday, 89; Lowest temperature yesterday, 61; Mean temperature yesterday, 72; Normal temperature yesterday, 78; Departure from normal temperature, 6.

THERMOMETER THIS DAY LAST YEAR.

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CONDITIONS IN IMPORTANT CITIES.

Place. C. M. Eastern Time. Rain. Albany, N. Y., 87; 82; Rain. Augusta, Ga., 74; 82; Rain. Atlanta, Ga., 70; 81; Rain. Chicago, Ill., 73; 78; Clear. Cincinnati, O., 74; 82; Rain. Cleveland, O., 74; 82; Rain. Detroit, Mich., 72; 82; Cloudy. Evansville, Ind., 72; 82; Clear. Hatteras, N. C., 72; 82; Clear. Jacksonville, Fla., 78; 82; Clear. Kansas City, Mo., 78; 82; Clear. Memphis, Tenn., 78; 82; Clear. New Orleans, La., 78; 82; Rain. Oklahoma City, Okla., 72; 82; Cloudy. Pittsburgh, Pa., 78; 82; Cloudy. Raleigh, N. C., 78; 82; Cloudy. Savannah, Ga., 78; 82; Rain. Tampa, Fla., 78; 82; Rain. Washington, D. C., 72; 82; Clear. Wilmington, Del., 72; 82; Clear. Yellowstone, Wyo., 68; 70; Clear.

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

August 16, 1907.
Sun rises, 5:27
Sun sets, 7:01
Moon sets, 11:28
August 16, 1907.
High tide, 9:47
Low tide, 1:52

CITIZENS OPPOSE NEW STREET PLANS

Don't Want Historic Names Eliminated by Substitution of Numbers.

BIG FIGHT WILL BE MADE

Councilman Morton Says That Opposition Is Growing—Rapping State Fair.

Formal notice was served in the Council, through the Committee on Streets last night, that citizens will protest most vigorously against the plan suggested for re-naming the streets. It is proposed to eliminate all names long identified with the history, the sentiment and the traditions of Richmond.

Speaking for the people of his ward and others in the territory affected, Councilman W. Waller Morton said that he wanted it understood that there was serious objection to the plan, and that this objection would be put before the Council if the committee adopted the report, already indorsed by the subcommittee having it in charge.

The idea which the Council will be asked to incorporate into an ordinance has been discussed at length heretofore, and it designates Foushee Street as the dividing line, east and west, and substitutes numbers for names for the streets west of Foushee crossing Main.

Mr. Morton Against It. When the report was presented last night Councilman Pollock moved that it be tabled for consideration hereafter. Councilman Don Leavy, the subcommittee, objected. He said the matter had been up for almost a year, and it was desirable that it be disposed of without further delay. There was a rambling debate on the motion, and finally Councilman Morton took the floor and said that it was unwise to act on it without further hearing and in the absence of members from the territory where the changes would be made. "I object to the report," he said, "and I want to give notice now that a large number of citizens will do the same. I think it best to leave the matter over until October, so that we may hear from those who have formed opinions which they are anxious to express by way of protest."

Mentioned New York Plan. Mr. Morton thought it might not be a bad idea to have the numbers begin at Laurel or Harrison. He called attention to the fact that in New York there are no First and Second Streets, saying that the numbers on Broadway started with Ninth Street. He believed it right and proper to preserve the old historic names.

Mr. Leavy said that, according to a ruling by the City Attorney, it would not be lawful to change the names of streets where they had been made by the charter. This information had come lately, he said, and it would be attached to the report as an amendment.

The committee then decided to delay consideration until October.

Spent All the Alley Money. For several hours a bare quorum disposed of a mass of business on the docket, much of which had been standing since May. There were petitions galore. The alley situation brought forth so many demands for improvement that Clerk Statton, in desperation, cried, "We have spent all the alley money."

His enunciation was not exactly clear in the confusion, and one member demanded to know what the committee had to do with the question of alley money.

Rapping the State Fair. A request from the State Fair Association, or one of its contractors, for the use of the city scrapers, provoked more or less talk, the method of loaning this property being denounced by several. Colonel Statton explained that the scrapers never came back in the same condition in which they left, this being true of other property. There was some sharp criticism of the association's policy of calling on the city, but the troubled waters were soon made smooth again. The scrapers will be loaned after a certified check has been deposited to cover any damage, and after a statement that they are not in use at the present.

Stole Fifty Dollars. James Ritchie, an Italian, arrested on Serious Charge. James Ritchie, an Italian, was arrested yesterday evening on the charge of stealing \$50 in currency from James Maggo, another Italian. Ritchie was arrested by Officer Kellum.

Ellis Albert, colored, was arrested by Policeman Jim Gary on the charge of stealing two pairs of children's shoes and two caps from a car of the Seaboard Air Line Railroad Company.

Colored People's Picnic. Magnolia Park, the new negro pleasure resort here, where the Second Baptist Sunday school held its annual picnic yesterday, was a scene of much fun and frolic. The little colored children behind the new scenes and enjoyed them much. There were about a dozen attractions on and about the grounds, and the crowd was kept busy taking or seeing the sights of what is now called the "negro Coney Island" here.

Stacy Company Gives Bond. The Committee on Light was in session for a short time last night, receiving petition and clearing up a number of routine affairs. The Stacy Company, which has the contract for rehabilitating the gas plant, submitted a surety bond for \$50,000 with the American Surety Company, for the faithful performance of its duties.

Prominent Men in Ugly Moods. Messrs. O. L. Hardy and W. C. Winn Give the Lie and Want to Fight.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) MEMPHIS, Va., August 15.—Unusual interest is felt here in the charge made by Mr. O. L. Hardy that Mr. W. C. Winn had offered to get for him re-appointment as Commissioner of Revenue, which would mean a certain salary.

The charge is vigorously denied by Mr. Winn, who explains what he meant, and says Mr. Hardy misunderstood him.

The affair took a more serious turn a few days ago, when the "lie" was exchanged between the men, just after the Board of Supervisors had adjourned, and a fight would have followed had not for the action of bystanders. More trouble is feared. Both men are prominent and influential and are brothers-in-law.

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NOMINATION IS STILL IN DOUBT

But Indications Point to W. C. Pulliam, of Manchester, as Winner.

THRIVES MAKES FINE RUN

Whatever the Result, It Will Be Close—Gilliam, Treasurer, May Be Defeated.

With eight precincts yet to hear from in Chesterfield and in Powhatan counties, Willis C. Pulliam, for the Legislature, against William Thrives, of Powhatan, has a majority of about 36 votes.

The poll of votes in Chesterfield was larger yesterday than it has been in years, and the ticket was an extremely lengthy one, thereby causing the returns to be late.

Two of the precincts in Chesterfield yet to be heard from are conceded to give Pulliam a large majority, and these are the largest in the county, viz. Matocah and Ettricks. The only precinct to be heard from in Powhatan is Dorchester.

Manchester Gives Big Majority. The vote in Manchester was a great surprise to Pulliam's friends, and out of the 302 votes cast he received 212. The vote was only about one-half of the actual strength of the city. Pulliam received a majority in every ward in the city except the First, where the vote was 29 and 29.

The official vote of the city was canvassed by the City Central Committee in the City Hall last night, and resulted as follows:

| Wards. | Pulliam. | Thrives. | Totals. |
|--------|----------|----------|---------|
| First | 29 | 29 | 58 |
| Second | 100 | 100 | 200 |
| Third | 58 | 58 | 116 |
| Fourth | 84 | 84 | 168 |
| Totals | 212 | 200 | 412 |

In the Counties. In the counties the tickets in yesterday's primary contained a large number of names, as they included the candidates for the Legislature, W. C. Pulliam, 36; Thrives, 35; for James Watkins, 63; for Treasurer, Gilliam, 22; Walker, 30 and Goode, 15; for supervisor in Manchester district, Brooks, 23; Toler, 6 and Woodin, 22; Commonwealth's attorney, J. M. Gregory, who had no opposition.

W. C. Pulliam, who was on the ticket for sheriff, also was without an opponent. The returns from the county, relative to the above mentioned candidates, are so meagre that it is impossible to say just how they stand. The vote so far as learned follows:

Chesterfield County. Oak Grove. In Oak Grove yesterday was larger than ever before polled at the precinct. It was as follows: For House, Pulliam, 36; Thrives, 35; for James Watkins, 63; for Treasurer, Gilliam, 22; Walker, 30 and Goode, 15; for supervisor in Manchester district, Brooks, 23; Toler, 6 and Woodin, 22; Commonwealth's attorney, J. M. Gregory, who had no opposition.

Swansboro. At Swansboro precinct yesterday the vote was above the average and the returns were as follows:

Standard's Big Dividend. NEW YORK, August 15.—The directors of the Standard Oil Company declared a quarterly dividend of 46 cents today. This was unchanged from the corresponding quarter last year.

End of Famous Horse. SARATOGA, August 15.—Thomas H. Haddock's famous steeplechaser, Good and Plenty, by Rossington-Famine, has been destroyed. Early in the spring the gelding broke down and was retired for a period, but lately there was a recurrence of the old trouble, and he was shot to end his misery.

Peanut Causes a Girl's Death. LANCASTER, Pa., August 15.—A peanut lodged in the windpipe of the young daughter of M. M. Senneker, of Terre Hill, died today after an operation, in which the obstruction was removed at a Lancaster Hospital.

American Bark Wrecked. PUNTA ARENAS, STRAITS OF MAGELLAN, August 15.—The American bark Prussia, from Norfolk, March 20th, for Port Townsend, has been wrecked in the Bay of Fildero. The captain and four sailors of the vessel were drowned.

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